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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

LUCIW et al.

Serial No. 08/089,407

Filed: July 28, 1993

Group Art Unit: 1813

Examiner: M. Woodward

For: HIV IMMUNOASSAYS USING  
SYNTHETIC ENVELOPE POLY-  
PEPTIDES (AS AMENDED)

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action of March 31, 1995 in the above-captioned case, and should be accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time. If an effective petition does not accompany this paper, the Commissioner is hereby petitioned for the minimum extension of time necessary to make this amendment timely and the appropriate fee may be debited from account number 12-1216.

Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 60, 61, and 66 as follows:

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E1 60. (Twice Amended) In an immunoassay to detect the presence of antibodies to a human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) in a human sample comprising contacting said sample